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Planning Commission Staff Report

TO: PLANNING COMMISSION

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MEETING DATE: FEBRUARY 5, 2014

SUBJECT: S13-13: FINCHER FIELDS AT COOLEY STATION, PARCEL 13

REQUEST TO APPROVE THE PRELIMINARY PLAT FOR 108

MULTI FAMILY HOME LOTS (LOTS 1-108) ON

APPROXIMATELY 7.8 ACRES OF REAL PROPERTY
LOCATED NORTH OF THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF
RECKER AND WILLIAMS FIELD ROADS IN THE MULTIFAMILY/MEDIUM (MF/M) ZONING DISTRICT WITH A
PLANNED AREA DEVELOPMENT OVERLAY (PAD).

STRATEGIC INITIATIVE: Community Livability

The proposed preliminary plat for a residential development meets the Development Plan in the ordinance for Cooley Station PAD (Parcel 13) and implements the unique vision for the Gateway Character Area.

RECOMMENDED MOTION

Approval of the Preliminary Plat for Fincher Fields at Cooley Station, Parcel 13, approximately 7.8 acres consisting of 108 multi-family lots, generally located north of the northeast corner of Recker

and Williams Field Roads zoned Multi Family/Medium (MF-M) with a Planned Area Development (PAD) overlay.

APPLICANTS/OWNER

Applicant Owner

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BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

History

Date Action

December 19, 2006 Town Council adopted Annexation No. A05-03, Ordinance No. 1878.

March 6, 2007 The Town Council adopted Ordinance No. 1900 in rezoning case Z06-

74 to rezone approximately 302 acres that constitute the Cooley Station

Residential, Office and Shopping Center Plan Area Development.

June 10, 2008 The Town Council adopted Resolution No. 2889 approving a

development agreement with the property owners of the Cooley

Development.

June 24, 2008 The Town Council adopted Ordinance No. 2179 in rezoning case Z07-

117 and approved an amendment to approximately 300 acre site in the Cooley Station for the Residential, General Office and Shopping Center parcels of the PAD to revise several conditions of Ordinance No. 1900 in Zoning Case Z06-74, modifying development standards for building and landscape setbacks, and revising the street sections and key street

exhibits.

August 5, 2008 The Town Council approved Ordinance No. 2195 in rezoning case Z07-

99 which rezoned approximately 198 acres from Maricopa County to 157 acres of Single Family Detached (SF-D) and 41 acres of Public Facilities/Institutional (PF/I) creating the Cooley Station Residential-2

Planned Area Development.

October 7, 2010 The Town Council adopted Ordinance No. 2304 amending

approximately 97 acres of the Cooley Station Residential, General

Office and Shopping Center PAD to add new exhibits and incorporate revised development standards for Parcel 11 (Heritage at Cooley Station).

January 17, 2013 The Town Council adopted Resolution No. 3148 and Ordinance No.

2413 to change the land use classification from Residential > 5 - 8 DU/Acre and Single Family Detached (SF-D) zoning district to Public

Facility/Institutional (PF/I) land use classification and zoning

designation respectively for Parcel 16.

May 2, 2013 The Town Council adopted Ordinance No. 2425 and approved the

rezoning of Parcels 12 and 13 of Cooley Station PAD (Z12-26).

September 5, 2013 The Town Council adopted Ordinance No. 2443 in rezoning case Z13-

16 and modified the Development Plan and development standards for

Parcel 15 of the Cooley Station PAD.

Overview

The approximately 7.8 acres parcel is located north of the northeast corner of Recker and Williams Field Roads across from the future Village Center. It exhibits a density range between 14-25 dwelling units per acre where apartments, condominiums and townhouse development in the manner of mid-rise buildings is encouraged by the land use policies for the Gateway Character Area.

Usually multi-family projects do not require preliminary plat approval and the project's comprehensive review of the site plan, grading and drainage, elevations, signage and lighting design is reviewed by the Design Review Board. In this particular case, the Engineering division required the preliminary plat process because individual property lines are described on a unit by unit basis within the envelope of each building and not as a condominium plat.

Surrounding Land Use & Zoning Designations:

	Existing Land Use	Existing Zoning	Existing Use
	Classification	(Area 3 of Vertical Overlay PAD)	
On site:	Residential > 14-25 DU/Acre (Parcel 13)	Multi-Family/Medium (MF/M)	Vacant
North:	Residential > 5-8 DU/Acre	Single Family Detached (SF-D)	The Willows Subdivision
South:	Village Center (VC)	Gateway Village Center (GVC)	Agriculture and vacant
East:	Residential > 8-14 DU/Acre	Single-Family Detached (SF-D)	Fincher Fields Parcel 12 undergoing construction.
West	Recker Road then Residential > 14-25 DU/Acre	Multi-Family/Medium (MF/M) with a PAD	Vacant

Project Data Table

	Fincher Fields Parcels 13 of Cooley Station
Gross Site Area	Approximately 7.8 acres
Existing Land Uses:	Residential > 14-25 DU/Acre
Existing Zoning:	Multi-Family/Medium with a PAD overlay zoning district (Z12-26)
Proposed Number of Lots	108 multi-family lots
Lot Dimensions	20' x 77' and 20' x 80.5' (within building envelope for 6
Building Envelope (6 units)	units)
_	77' x 120' and 80.5' x 120'
Proposed Common Open Space	2.4 acres or 39.8% of net area*

Per Ordinance No. 2443 minimum open space percentage is 35% of net site area if property is: directly across right-of-way from village park

Open Space Plan

The project is less than 20 acres and a for-sale multifamily development. Therefore, the open space/landscape design will be part of the overall review by the Design Review Board at a future date.

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION AND INPUT

A notice of public hearing was published in a newspaper of general circulation in the Town, and an official notice was posted in all the required public places within the Town. No comments were received.

SCHOOL DISTRICT INPUT

The Higley School District had no comments.

PROPOSITION 207

An agreement to "Waive Claims for Diminution in Value" Pursuant to A.R.S. § 12-1134 was signed by the landowners of the subject site, in conformance with Section 5.201 of the Town of Gilbert Land Development Code. This waiver is located in the case file (S13-13).

FINDINGS

Staff provides the following findings of facts, subject to the conditions of approval provided below, to substantiate approval of S13-13 Fincher Fields at Cooley Station, Parcel 13 Preliminary Plat:

- 1. The project is consistent with the Residential Design Guidelines;
- 2. The project conforms to the Gateway Character Area of the General Plan and specifically to the Land Use, Community Design, and Environmental Planning Elements;
- 3. The project is consistent with all applicable provisions of the Zoning Code;

- 4. The project is compatible with adjacent and nearby residential development; and
- 5. The project design provides for safe and efficient provision of public services.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Move to approve the findings and **S13-13**, Fincher Fields at Cooley Station Parcel 13, approximately 7.8 acres consisting of 108 multi-family lots, located north and east of the northeast corner of Recker and Williams Field Roads zoned Multi-Family/Medium with a PAD overlay subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The Final Plat for Fincher Fields at Cooley Station, Parcel 13 shall be in substantial conformance with Attachment 2, Preliminary Plat approved by the Planning Commission at the February 5, 2014 public hearing.
- 2. The approval of the Preliminary Plat for Fincher Fields at Cooley Station, Parcel 13 by the Planning Commission is conditioned upon approval of the open space and landscape design for this development by the Design Review Board.

Respectfully submitted,

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Senior Planner

Attachments:

- 1. Notice of Public Hearing Map
- 2. Preliminary Plat for Fincher Fields at Cooley Station, Parcel 13 (2 pp.)

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Attachment 1: Notice of Public Hearing Map

Notice of Public Hearing

PLANNING COMMISSION DATE:

Wednesday, February 5, 2014* TIME: 6:00 PM

LOCATION: Gilbert Municipal Center, Council Chambers

50 E. Civic Center Drive Gilbert, Arizona 85296

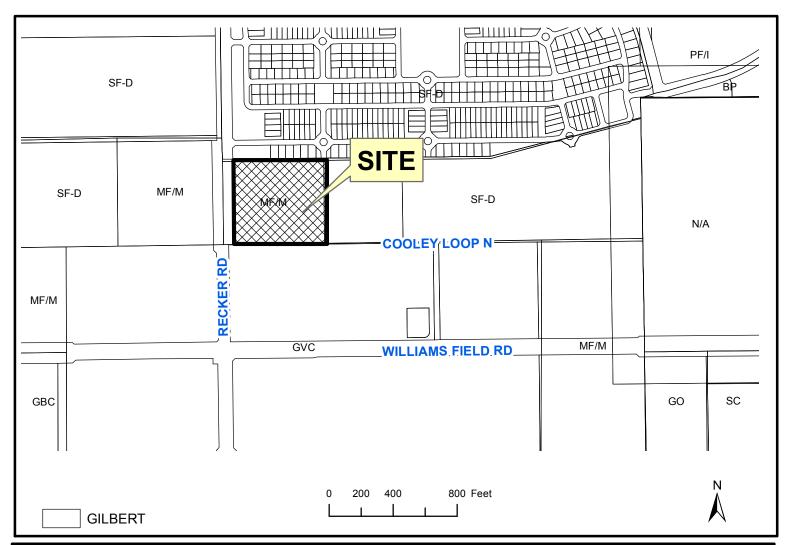
* Call Planning Department to verify date and time: (480) 503-6700

REQUESTED ACTION:

S13-13: Request to approve Preliminary Plat and Open Space Plan for Fincher Fields at Cooley Station - Ryland Homes - for 108 home lots (Lots 1-108) on approximately 7.8 acres of real property located north and east of the northeast corner of Recker and Williams Field Roads in the Multi-Family Medium (MF-M) zoning district with a Planned Area Development Overlay (PAD).

* The application is available for public review at the Town of Gilbert Development Services division Monday - Thursday 7 a.m. - 6 p.m.

SITE LOCATION:



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S. RECKER ROAD (EXISTING - LOOKING NORTH)

120' BUILDING WIDTH

RAY RD T.1 S. R.6 E. - PROJECT SITE

WILLIAMS-FIELD RI

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PROJECT TEAM

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DEVELOPMENT LAND USE SUMMARY

RELATED CASE NOS. ASSESSOR PARCEL NO.: EXISTING GENERAL PLAN: CURRENT LAND USE: UNDEVELOPED / AGRICULTURE GROSS AREA: +/- 7.83 ACRES NET AREA: +/- 6.03 ACRES NET AREA:
NO. OF LOTS:
NET LAND AREA PER UNIT
GROSS DENSITY:
NET DENSITY:
REQUIRED OPEN SPACE: 108 2,432.10 SQ. FT. 13.79 DU/AC. 17.91 DU/AC. 2.11 ACRES (35% OF NET AREA) PROVIDED OPEN SPACE 2.68 ACRES (44.4% OF NET AREA) PARKING REQUIRED: 224 SPACES 28 GUEST SPACES 252 TOTAL SPACES PARKING PROVIDED: 224 SPACES

DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS

ALL DEVELOPMENT SHALL COMPLY WITH THE TOWN OF GILBERT LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE. EXCEPT AS APPROVED BY TOWN OF GILBERT ORDINANCE NO. 2425 BELOW

28 GUEST SPACES 252 GUEST SPACES

MIN. NET LAND AREA PER UNIT 1,700 SQ. FT. 8' ADJACENT TO ARTERIALS & COLLECTORS* 10' ADJACENT TO ARTERIALS & COLLECTORS * 10' ADJACENT TO COLLECTORS *

REAR (RESIDENTIAL PARCEL 13) 20' ADJACENT TO RESIDENTIAL[®] MIN. PERIMÈTER LANDSCAPE AREA (DEPTH IN

, 5' ADIACENT TO ARTERIALS & COLLECTORS* FRONT 8' ADJACENT TO ARTERIALS & COLLECTORS*
8' ADJACENT TO COLLECTORS*
8' ADJACENT TO COLLECTORS*
35% OF NET SITE AREA SIDE (STREET) REAR (RESIDENTIAL)
REAR (NON-RESIDENTIAL)
COMMON OPEN SPACE (MIN.)
SEPARATION BETWEEN 3-STORY BUILDINGS

- IF NOT ADJACENT TO ARTERIAL OR COLLECTOR AS NOTED, THEN THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE (LDC) APPLIES.
- IF PARCEL 13 IS DEVELOPED WITH UP TO 15 DWELLING UNITS PER ACRE THEN THREE-STORY BUILDINGS SHALL BE 10' APART, OTHERWISE THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE APPLIES.

GENERAL NOTES

- THIS PLAN IS NOT A CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENT.

 LOT DIMENSIONS ARE APPROXIMATE, FINAL LOT DIMENSIONS SHALL BE PER THE FINAL PLAT.
- ALL ROADS WILL BE CONSTRUCTED TO TOWN OF GILBERT MINIMUM STANDARDS,
- THE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR MAINTENANCE OF

- ALL LANDSCAPE TRACTS.
 THIS DEVELOPMENT WILL PROVIDE FOR INSTALLATION OF REQUIRED STREET LIGHTS.
 DRAINAGE CONCEPTS ARE SHOWN THE PRELIMINARY GRADING AND DRAINAGE
- PIAN.
 THIS MUTLI-FAMILY DEVELOPMENT IS PARCEL 13 OF THE COOLEY STATION
 RESIDENTIAL OFFICE AND SHOPPING CENTER PLANNED AREA DEVELOPMENT, AND
 WILL BE DEVELOPED IN ACCORDANCE WITH TOWN OF GILBERT ORDINANCE NO.
- THIS DEVELOPMENT IS SUBJECT TO THE DESIGN REVIEW BOARD APPROVAL OF LANDSCAPE, BUILDING ELEVATIONS, MONUMENT IDENTIFICATION, COLORS AND

BASIS OF BEARING

WEST LINE OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 25 TOWNSHIP NORTH, RANGE 6 EAST. ASSUMED BEARING: N 00° 47' 52" W

BENCHMARK

BCHH AT INTERSECTION OF WILLIAMS FIELD AND RECKER ROADS ELEVATION: 1.310.71' (TOWN OF GILBERT DATUM)

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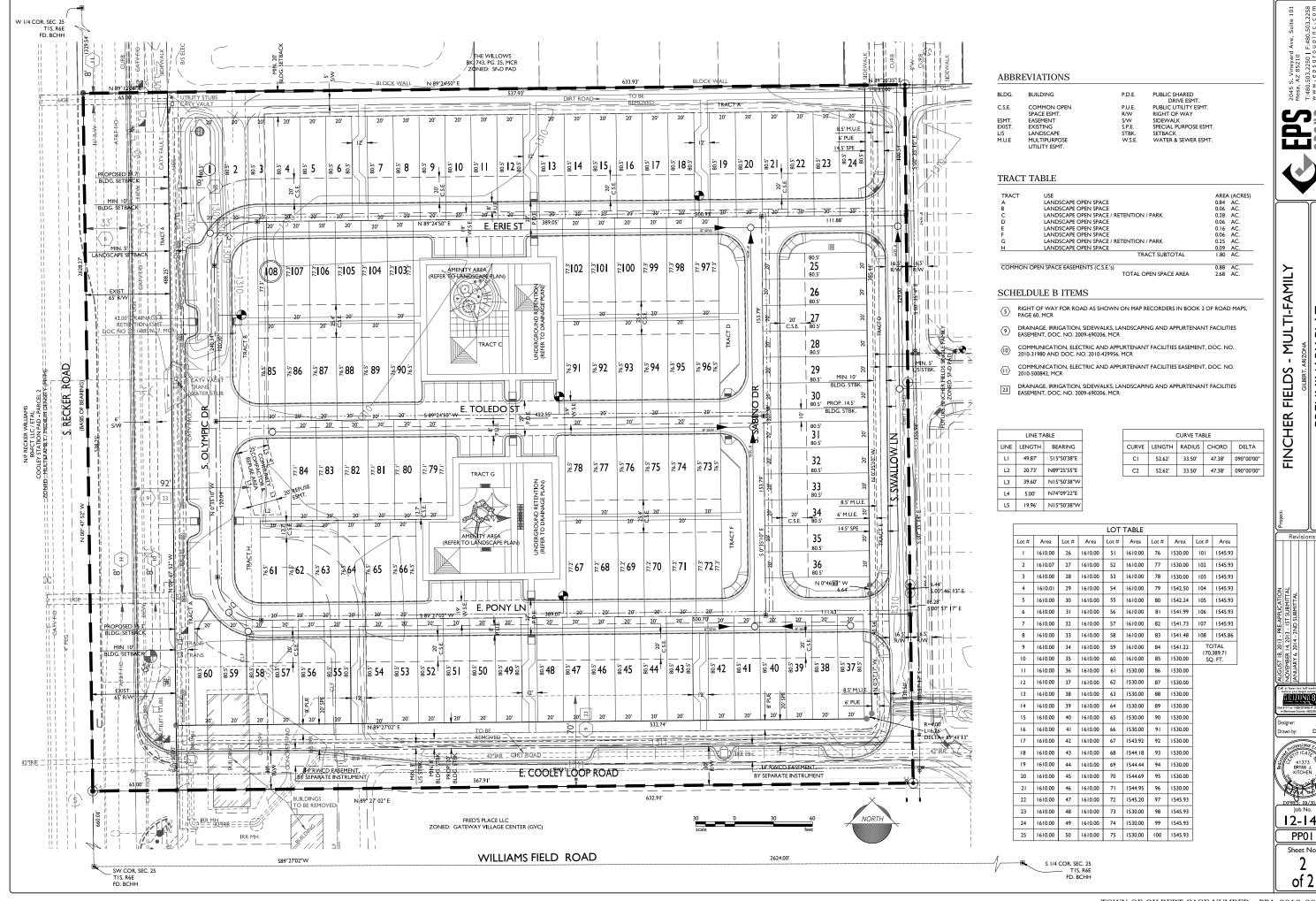
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PRELIMINARY PLAT



PP01 Sheet No. 2